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SUBJECT: PRC PETROLEUM DELEGATION VISITS NORWAY

1. NCNA SEPTEMBER 30 REPORTED THE DEPARTURE FOR NORWAY OF A NINE-MEMBER PRC PETROLEUM DELEGATION LED BY PETROLEUM AND CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES VICE MINISTER CHANG WEN-PIN.

2. ACCORDING TO THE NORWEGIAN EMBASSY COMMERCIAL OFFICER, THE CHINESE REQUESTED THE VISIT IN ORDER TO STUDY NORWAY'S EXPERIENCE IN OFF-SHORE OIL PRODUCTION. THE DELEGATION IS COMPPSED OF TECHNICAL PERSONNEL WHO WILL STUDY ALL ASPECTS OF OFF-SHORE OIL INDUSTRY INCLUDING GEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION, PLATFORM CONSTRUCTION, CREW SUPPORT, PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION, ETC. THE WILL ALSO MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF NORWAY'S PETROLEUM INDUSTRY, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (THEIR HOSTS) AND, IN AN UNUSUAL DEPARTURE FOR SUCH VISITS, ACTUALLY VISIT OIL RIGS OPERATING IN THE NORTH SEA.

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3. THE NORWEGIAN EMBASSY DESCRIBED THE VISIT AS

PURELY TECHNICAL, AND SAID THERE WOULD BE NO IMMEDIATE
COMMERCIAL DISCUSSIONS EVEN THOUGH SOME NORWEGIAN FIRMS
HAVE INDICATED AN INTEREST IN SELLING EQUIPMENT TO
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